

BUCKSPORT PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT
CHALLENGING CHOICES PROGRAMS

Pre-registration is Mandatory

To Pre-register call Barb at 469-3518

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Winter 2016

Paper Crafting for grades 3rd and up: Participants will create projects such as handmade cards, scrapbooks and a number of different projects and gift ideas over the four week period. Fee is \$20 per participant. Beginning Tuesday, February 23rd and lasting for four weeks. Stacy Coombs will be facilitating this activity.

Pottery: Play with Clay: 2nd grade and up. Hand-building and sculpting class to be held at the Conference Room at the G. Herbert Jewett School, where students will learn how to make coil and pinch pots, work with clay slabs, as well as create simple sculptures. Pieces will be fired and glazed. Rosa Moore has her own studio at H.O.M.E. and is eager to come to work with youth. Class begins Feb. 3rd, 4th and 11th 3:00-4:15 pm. The class size is limited, so please call. Cost is \$35 for everything. Parents can participate for \$30. Great opportunity to make gifts.

Fencing: Swordplay has been a martial art for centuries and today is the modern sport of fencing. Come in and learn the footwork, blade work and strategies used by successful fencers. This class will be presented by USFA/USFCA certified Prevot D' Armes, John Krauss from Down East School of Fencing of Verona Island. All fencing equipment is provided for this course. This is a wonderful opportunity for youth to see if he/she has an interest in this sport. Fee is \$20.00. Class will be held on Thursdays February 25th & March 3rd from 3-5pm. Instead of four one hour sessions and due to having to suit up, we have longer sessions and go two weeks. Participants will need to wear loose clothing and sneakers.

Lego Robotics for Grades 4th, 5th & 6th: This class teaches youth mechanical and computer skills. Learn how to design and activate your own robot using Legos and the computer. Class will be held on Monday, Feb. 29th and March 7th, 14th and 21st. 3-4:30. Class size is limited. This class is \$20. Rachel Dawson Hallet will be the instructor.

ART: Join local mixed-media artist Aeriana Blue from the Community Crafting Studio for four fun, creative weeks of crafting for 8 -12-year-olds! This session we will be working with air-dry clay. We will sculpt one week and paint and embellish the second. This is a four-week course and each child will complete at least two projects. Classes start on Thursday, Feb 4 from 3-4pm (no class during Feb vacation). \$25 per child, includes all materials. Call to pre-register so we know how much to order.

Knitting: Kristen Appleby would like to offer a knitting class for youth in grades 5th-8th to be held at the middle school Tuesday & Wednesday from 2:50 to 3:50pm so youth can catch the late bus. This class will be a 5 week class starting Feb. 22nd. There will be varying degrees of learning in the class. Beginning students will learn the basics whereas students with some knowledge will learn more advanced skills. Fee for the class is \$10 which will cover the cost of needles and yarn. Youth will bring home the completed projects and the needles at the end of class. Class Size is limited to 10.

RED CROSS BABYSITTING

PRE REGISTRATION & PRE-PAYMENT IS MANDATORY FOR THIS CLASS

The primary purpose of the American Red Cross Babysitter's Training course is to provide youth who want to babysit with the knowledge and skills necessary to safely and responsibly care for children and infants. Designed for youth ages 11 to 15, the course helps participants develop leadership skills, build a babysitting business, keep themselves and others safe and guide children's behavior. Participants will

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also learn about basic child care and basic first aid. The cost of the course is \$55 which includes a participant's manual, emergency reference guide, CD-ROM, and certification upon completion of the course. There will be a 20 minute lunch break. Please bring a lunch. Pre-registration is required by March 16th. Please email the instructor, Paula Webster at Paula.R.Webster@gmail.com for a registration form. In the event that the minimum class size of 5 is not met, this class will be cancelled and checks/money orders will be returned. Questions: Please call Paula at (207) 659-1801 or email Paula.R.Webster@gmail.com Class size is limited to 10 participants.

Guitar: If you have youth in Grades 3 and up that would like to take guitar lessons, please let me know as Bill Doty is eager to share his skills. He will offer a class on Wednesdays in March on the stage at the Jewett School beginning March 2nd and lasting for 4 weeks 3-4pm. Cost is \$30 per youth. Class size is limited so please call to register.

Tumbling Ages 3-5 yr. & K, 1st & 2nd, 3rd & 4th

How would you like your child to learn basic tumbling? Youth will begin with forward rolls and progress to back walkovers and back handsprings. Proper attire would be loose for easy movement and sneakers. If youth has long hair, it should be pulled up into a ponytail and please have all jewelry removed. This four week class is \$20 per person.

Ages: 3 years-Kindergarten: Beginning Tues. March 8th at G. Herbert Jewett School. Time 3-4pm

1st & 2nd Grade: Beginning Monday, March 7th at Miles Lane School. Time 3:00-4:30pm

3rd & 4th: Beginning Wed. March 9th at Miles Lane School. Time 3:00-4:30pm

Wrestling: This Class will be held for Pre-K all the way up to 5th grade. Anthony Maguire requests that all parents come to **MANDATORY PARENT MEETING ON JANUARY 28TH AT BUCKSPORT MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA AT 6PM.** This meeting is when you will sign up your child. Practices are being held on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning February 2nd at the Middle School. Pre-K to 2nd graders is 5:30 -6:15pm and 3rd -5th graders is 6:15-7:30. For more information please call Anthony at 974-8074. Fee is \$55 for the session per child.

NEXT REC DANCE IS FRIDAY, Feb. 12 and also MARCH 11TH AT THE G. HERBERT JEWETT SCHOOL WITH RAY J'Z MUZIK AS THE DJ. COME AND HAVE A FUN TIME. THIS IS FOR 5TH - 8TH GRADERS. COST IS \$5.

Frost Fest is coming in just a few weeks!!! Activities this year will be on Saturday, February 13, 2016 at the ice skating rink on Miles Lane in Bucksport.

An old fashioned ice skating party with music from Ray J'z Muzik will kick it off at 11am. Other activities include a snow sculpture competition and miniature golf in a course made of SNOW! To rent a putter and a ball is \$5, under 5 years old FREE. All the fun will wrap up at 3pm when the snow sculptures will be judged and the winner awarded their prize! We hope to provide a fun, healthy, invigorating cold weather experience for children and their families in our local communities. This event helps us demonstrate that our multi-faceted communities are active destinations for those looking for exciting and diverse activities during the winter months. For more information please contact the Bucksport Bay Area Chamber of Commerce at 207-469-6818 or email office@bucksportbaychamber.com. You can like Frost Fest on Facebook or visit our website to learn more about the event.

<http://www.bucksportbaychamber.com/frost-fest> Funds raised support the Bucksport Parks & Recreation Department and the Bucksport Bay Area Chamber of Commerce!